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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action of August 13, 2003 imposing a restriction requirement on the present application, applicant provisionally elects the claims of Group I, Claims 1-31, for initial examination, and requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement for the reasons discussed below.

REMARKS

In the Office Action, a requirement for restriction was imposed between the inventions of Group I, Claims 1-31, and Group II, Claims 32-39. The Office Action stated that Groups I and III (presumably II) are related as process and apparatus for its practice. However,